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7:30 A.M.—Breakfast Club—WDAK  
 4:45 P.M.—Full Speed Ahead—WD  
 6:00 P.M.—Fort Snelling on the

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# OC Gets Intimate Look Inside Pre-War Europe

With two bronze stars and a staff sergeant's rating for combat in the South Pacific, degrees or diplomas from Bonn University, Germany, Grenoble University, France, the London School of Economics and Columbia University, Candidate of Raymond J. McHugh of the Third Student Training Regiment might well be termed walking material for an OWI film release titled "Why We Fight."

It all started in Carthage, Ill., when McHugh, the son of a Carthage doctor, was graduated from high school in 1935. On his graduation day, the then 18-year-old Ray had a definite desire to "travel."

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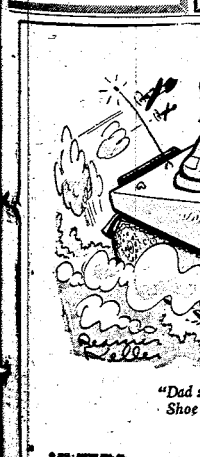
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vel in Europe in order to familiarize myself with foreign governments and people in hopes of some day, entering the consular service."

In the next seven years McHugh did a lot of traveling; 40,000 miles of it, by motorcycle, train, plane, ship and auto, and went two-thirds of the way around the world doing it. He became a member of the Rhineland Club in 1935, receiving a language diploma a year later. Thus, in 1936, he got his first glimpse of the German Army when the Nazis reoccupied the Rhineland.

**WITH GERMAN FAMILY**  
While attending Bonn, McHugh lived with a German family comprising two daughters and three sons, and the story he tells of that group would add another, if somewhat contradictory, chapter to "Mein Kampf."

One son, the youngest, was a member of the Hitler Youth. The oldest was a student, another joined the Army in 1935. The third returned on leave a few months later and was studying in it, "was all spit and fire for Hitler and the National Socialists. He was just an average German kid; he would go with you and eat with you, drink with you and have a lot of fun the way any American kid would. But mention the National Socialists and there was no humor left in him." Since that time, the soldier has been killed in action and the older brother is a prisoner of war in Russia. One sister was killed in the bombing of Cologne.

During five months of each of the three years just before the war, McHugh amassed a total of some 10,000 miles of travel, "seeing Europe." In Italy, in 1936, shortly after Mussolini had started his empire building policy in Ethiopia, he saw the Italians "having a wonderful time watching movies from the front which showed Seaside troops in full retreat."

During the tour that included the Italian visit, McHugh also hit the Scandinavian Peninsula, the Baltic States, Greece, Yugoslavia and Albania. He left Germany late in 1936 to enter the London School of Economics where he remained until the spring of 1937. At the end of the term, he made a brief trip to Ireland, bought a motorcycle and set out on a trip through Lichtenstein, Switzerland, Luxembourg, Austria, Czechoslovakia, Hungary and Poland.

In Austria just before the Anschluss of 1937, he visited Vienna, "only a shell of the glory I had read about and ripe for the Germans. Czechoslovakia he termed "one of the most progressive countries in Europe at that time. The Czech principal source of revenue came from the armament production and already the Germans were working up a 'pre-punch' propaganda campaign."

**WORK ON FRANCE**  
In 1937-38, McHugh attended Grenoble University in France where he received a language degree. "In France, too, the Germans were playing the propaganda tune they had started prior to invading Poland and Czechoslovakia. The Popular Front was actually doing a lot of good by trying to reform and nationalize the privately controlled armaments industry in France. Neither

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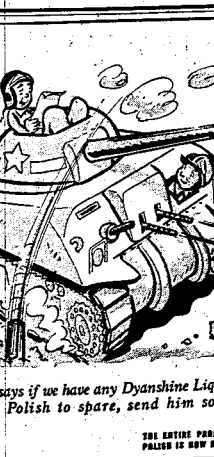
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**THE BIRTH OF THE "LUCKY 7th"** Maj. Gen. Lindsay McDonald Silvester (standing right of microphone) having just assumed command of a new armored division, reviews his troops as they pass in review for the first time March 1, 1942, at Camp Polk, La. (Official U. S. Army Photo 7th A. D.)

The Rightists nor Leftists were too bad in their own way but their failure to see eye to eye on anything showed itself later when France fell to the Germans in the space of a month.

After a brief glimpse at the Spanish frontier, McHugh again set out for Austria and Poland. Planning to go on to the Russian Ukraine, he wound up at the "tourist Bureau" in Warsaw to wait for a visa, which had been prepared for him by the British, had cleared the Warsaw office.

On one of these visits, he arrived at the bureau shortly after a bomb had been thrown into the office by a group of Polish "National Democrats." "They were more National than Democratic," McHugh relates. "When we got there, there was not a policeman within 10 blocks; none of the people appeared alarmed; they were simply curious as to the extent of the damage."

Finding himself financially short after this unexpected delay in his travels, McHugh went to the German consulate to arrange for selling his motorcycle. With funds thus secured he journeyed to Le Havre and shipped for New York City, arriving there in August.

**TO GUADALCANAL**  
For the next three and one-half years, Ray devoted his time to studying for the diploma at Columbia University which he eventually received in 1942. By this time his mother was living in Vallejo, Calif., where he enlisted in April, 1942. "I just had time to buy a pack of cigarettes and May 10 found myself on a boat headed for Hawaii. I really didn't have time to put in an application for a PCS."

Assigned to a regimental intelligence platoon, he "had three days of training at Schofield Barracks, caught the flu and by the time I got over it, found my outfit on beach defense duty. Our duties consisted primarily of working around the OP, CP and fatigue, with the latter taking up two thirds of our time."

On November 25, his unit shipped for Guadalcanal, arrived December 17 and began perimeter defense duties to relieve another outfit. The regiment to which McHugh belonged was assigned the mission of defending "Hill 27."

"We saw very little of the way an intelligence platoon is supposed to work," he says. "Everybody from the cooks to the truck drivers spent their time holding in their own lines."

A Pfc. at the time, McHugh joined Corps Headquarters Intelligence. The Corps moved to Rendova July 12 and remained there during the New Georgia campaign then to New Georgia itself a

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**AEROGANT, CRUEL**  
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## Infra-Post Bus Maps Available

A book of six maps showing the infra-post bus lines at Fort Benning, with latest changes in routings and schedules, has been prepared by Capt. Armando Vinciguerra, in charge of the bus service, and now are available for families and others who utilize the services.

The map books have been distributed to the Main Exchange, Commissary, Exchange Grocery, Post Engineer's office, Post Ordnance office, quartermaster office, The Infantry School, clothing sales store and the children's school. A set also is posted on the bulletin board of the Howard Bus terminal.

The five infra-post bus lines now are run every half hour after the starting time shown on each map, and continue until the last run is made beginning at 4:48 p. m., daily except Sunday. The bus line between the Main Post and Harmony Church changes in which were announced last week, now make five round trips daily including Sunday. These busses leave the Howard Bus station at 7 and 11 a. m., 6:00, 9:00 and 11:30 p. m. They now serve the 4th Infantry and Prisoner of War camp, 2nd Army troops, Third Student Training Regiment and ASTP headquarters areas in Harmony Church.

The maps are divided so that each of the routes is covered in detail. By referring to the maps, anybody living on any part of the Main Post can determine what bus line to take to reach any other part of the Main Post. Capt. Vinciguerra pointed out.

## OC Describes Japs' Cruelty

Officer Candidate Robert G. Mattie of the Second Company of The Infantry School's Third Student Training Regiment is eager for active duty in the Orient and looks forward to a return trip to Japan where he puts it: "May be if I can take a few of those guys apart, I can find out what makes them tick."

Mattie came to OCS via the University of Tennessee, the Philippines, Shanghai and Japan. He is the son of an Army officer, was born in an Army camp and visited the Orient with his father through 1937 and 1939.

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A few days after these honors, he received notice he was to be sent back to the United States, having previously appeared before a division OCS Board. He reported to the Third Student Training Regiment of The Infantry School on, of all dates, New Year's Eve.

## Blood Bank—

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minimum of 185 to 200 donors will be needed to meet the daily quota of 180 pints due to rejects. One of the principal causes of rejects, he explained, is faulty eating habits of the would-be donors previous to appearing for bleeding.

Donors are urged to refrain from eating any fatty foods, including dairy products (milk, cheese) or eggs for at least four hours prior to bleeding. These foods cloud the blood and due to the weakened condition of men to whom the plasma is later administered gives a surgical shock to the recipient which may prove fatal.

It is suggested that volunteers breakfast on sweetened coffee without cream or milk. After the blood is collected here, it is refrigerated and shipped to Cincinnati, each pint being insured in transit by the Red Cross for \$25. It immediately becomes the property of the armed forces for which the Red Cross is only the agent. After being processed in Cincinnati, it is turned over to the Quartermaster Corps which makes the proper distribution of dried plasma. None is returned for civilian use.

**BUOYANT PACKAGES**  
In Cincinnati the red corpuscles are extracted by centrifuge, and the residue of the plasma which contains the white corpuscles is frozen to permit separation of the water content. The bulk is then measured out to provide enough for one pint of bottled liquid plasma. In the package made up is included one pint of saline solution which when the ASTP resuscitator is used, the contents of the other bottle will produce one pint of plasma. This package is wrapped and sealed with waxed paper, making

for granted and even to enjoy living under it. The Japanese man in the street, Bob, was every suspicious of all foreigners but not ominous or threatening in his attitude.

## An Army Wife Shops In Columbus

By Phyllis

Many a new family moving all in a rush to mighty Fort Benning has found shopping at SEARS ROEBUCK AND COMPANY the ideal place to purchase some home furnishings without spending a wee fortune.

Sears has an assortment of gay-colored, washable rug rugs in colonial designs firmly brooded in a choice of oval sizes. If you already have your own rugs, Sears suggests you purchase a few of these. If you have one, an unpainted baby crib with 1-draw side, already for you to paint your favorite color, is offered at an excellent value. Sears has blankets, both towels, bath mat sets, china, kitchen utensils, in fact, just about everything you'd need to set up housekeeping in a cozy, comfortable, but not expensive fashion. Visit this store and see if it isn't so.

The budget-wise way to dress and make up is to make your own. Clothes, I mean. Get your needles and hunt up your pins and scissors, sew your own summer fabrics at Kirven's and start sewing may a fine seam. The fabric department of the J. A. KIRVEN COMPANY is just brimming with yard goods for fast approaching spring weather. Many of these materials possess that wonderful talent of being "Luxable." There are yards and yards of vibrant, smart and smart young and sheer woolsens to help you make yourself a wardrobe to be remembered. You'll find many aids to correct and exact sewing in the notions section of this budget-conscious department store. Scissors, tape measures, thimbles, skirt makers, metal Talon zippers, shoulder pads, skirt belting, buttons, press clothes, pin cushions and countless other suggestions to make easy work of sewing and saving and you won't go wrong.

The haven of innumerable fashion-wise women of Columbus and Fort Benning, KAYSER-LIENHART, INC., is a store brimming over with delightful, new, spring clothes and accessories. Truly, it is a fact. Countless frocks of intriguing design, smartly-tailored suits, beautifully made coats, jewelry, handbags and gloves to complete many a fascinating outfit are displayed throughout this popular shop. As with all merchandise, this spring collection is really top in design and materials. Many of the clothes are so lovely you're bound to want them all. However, having a well-styled wardrobe is a simple matter if you visit Kayser-Lienhart's. Sparkling, fresh spring fashions in exquisite materials will help you get off to a good start. A sprightly and gay print dress, perhaps a softly tailored light weight suit, aided by a casual coat, top this all with a blouse or two, gloves and a handbag and you're nicely outfitted for a well-dressed spring which is just around the corner.

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The Boy Scout, Thursday, February 24, 1944

men who should have been in uniform before the end of 1943. Secretary of War Stimson praised the cooperation the army officers in the colleges and said the program had been a success. The colleges will be reimbursed by the army for the unpaid portion of contracts covering the students withdrawn, he said.

## Lucky Birthday—

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rison life near a sizeable town was a pleasant thought. In the third week in August the "Lucky 7th" set up housekeeping in the area vacated by the 10th Armored division, and was almost overwhelmed by the welcome it received from both civilian and military personnel in Columbus and Fort Benning.

Further intensified training of small combat groups as a further large-scale operations has featured training at Benning, with particular stress laid on personnel effectiveness with weapons and equipment.

**BACK TO FIELD**  
During the months of November and December the division took to the field again for four weeks, to adjust personnel to combat conditions in entirely different weather from that in Southern California. Here at Benning new camouflage lessons, new tactical situations were studied and learned and the division's training practices revised editions of battle tactics learned earlier, in garrison.

Here, too, many administrative problems were solved as a further sifting and re-classification of men took place. Along with other units of the Armored Command Headquarters and other administrative units were revised so that paper work was decreased and mobility and firepower increased.

Among other changes made at division headquarters was the assignment of three new officers to the General staff, to replace those transferred to other units. To fill vacancies already existing.

**PERSONNEL SHIFTS**  
In November Col. George H.

Molony was named Chief of Staff to fill the vacancy left by Col. W. P. Shepard who went to another unit, while Maj. Ralph R. Carlin became Adjutant General when Lt. Col. Byron C. De La-Mater left the division. Other appointments to staff offices were those of Lt. Col. Hermann P. Meyer as Inspector General, Maj. Emerson M. McDermott as Signal Officer, and Maj. Roy K. Berkenfield as Special Service Officer.

Under the auspices of Special Services the 7th has enjoyed a wide variety of entertainment and athletic programs as well as a well-planned series of orientation programs entitled "Why We Fight."

In addition to such "name" personalities as Gypsy Rose Lee, Mel Allen, and Joe Louis, Special Service has produced a surprisingly large amount of top-notch radio entertainment on the average of once to twice weekly.

Meanwhile training continues, and in even greater detail than before. On its second anniversary the Seventh Armored Division is reported to be in top battle condition. What the future holds is not a matter of record, but in the opinion of its leaders the Seventh is trained and ready to forge the "bright new world" postwar planners already contemplating.

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"The Red Cross never has failed the American soldier. It has helped him in his hour of danger, it has sustained him in his hour of pain, and it has comforted him in his hour of death."

—General Douglas MacArthur.

## Your Red Cross Needs Your Help

By The President of The United States of America  
A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS the war has entered a decisive stage requiring the fullest measure of individual sacrifice;

WHEREAS the American National Red Cross is an auxiliary to the United States armed forces and, as such, is providing indispensable service to our troops throughout the world as well as to their families at home;

WHEREAS these wartime activities, including the collection of lifesaving blood for the wounded, recreation work in military hospitals, provision of aid to families of servicemen, shipment of food parcels to prisoners of war, production of surgical dressings, operation of overseas clubs and recreation centers, and recruitment of Army and Navy nurses, all combine to save countless lives, restore hope, and provide comfort for our fighting men;

WHEREAS, through its vast network of local chapters, this agency of our people simultaneously conducts an extensive program of training and community service, while continuing with traditional efficiency to lessen the distress of those overwhelmed by disaster; and

WHEREAS this agency is wholly dependent upon individual support and personal participation and is issuing its 1944 appeal to the entire citizenship for a minimum War Fund of \$200,000,000;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT, President of the United States of America and President of the American National Red Cross, do hereby designate the month beginning March 1, 1944, as "Red Cross Month" and earnestly beseech my fellow Americans to observe it by opening their hearts to this humanitarian appeal in order that we may keep the Red Cross at the side of our fighting men and their dependents in their hour of greatest need.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States of America to be affixed.

DONE at the city of Washington this 19th day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and forty-four, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and sixty-eighth.

—FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT.  
By the President  
CORDELL HULL  
Secretary of State

Hope you've got February 28 marked in red on your calendar, Johnny! You ought to, because that's the start of the Benning chapter, American Red Cross 1944 War Fund campaign, four-fifths of which is expended in your behalf.

The national goal is \$200,000,000. Now don't say, "Two hundred million dollars! Whew! That's a lot of money, but I don't see how the Red Cross does it all on that. Why, just the doughnuts I ate last night..."

As a matter of fact, the National War Fund is a nest egg—every dollar the Red Cross expends for "services to the armed forces" is multiplied several times over by the friendly, kind work of volunteers. It's like this:

Johnny Doughboy down in Barrack X just got a letter saying his wife is very sick. His CO insists that the Red Cross must verify his wife's illness before he'll issue an emergency furlough. So Field Director Mitchell telegraphs the Red Cross chapter in Johnny's home town. The chapter investigates, finds that Mrs. Doughboy is very sick, and wires back saying so.

Johnny gets his furlough... and peace of mind. While the Red Cross has actually spent one dollar on telegrams and perhaps another dollar on the Field Director's salary, its value to Johnny is many times this sum, due to the fast-moving volunteer investigation. In the same way Red Cross production workers knit dimes into dollars and local citizens contribute to the fund allotted for disaster relief.

You no doubt know about the Gray Ladies, the game rooms and libraries equipped by the Red Cross. If you've been overseas, you probably received a Red Cross comfort kit when you embarked. Maybe you've had a transfusion of plasma from the blood-plasma bank. Maybe someone in your family is a prisoner-of-war and has received a food parcel or perhaps a relative abroad has been given Red Cross food or clothing.

Founded to relieve suffering on the battlefield, the Red Cross pioneered in other types of relief when governments took over medical care of the wounded. Besides providing recreation and rehabilitation for soldiers and food and clothing to war-torn countries, the Red Cross recruits nurses for the Army and Navy, gives courses in home nursing, first aid, nutrition, Nurses' Aides for the overburdened hospitals of the nation, helps persons stricken by disaster to regain their pre-disaster status—and this is only a cross section of its program.

Some program! It deserves your support. Give all you can!

Adapted from Army Times.

## The Infantry Remains 'Queen Of Battles'

No argument on the merit of a particular arm of a nation's combat forces seems to carry more authority than that advanced by a man on the basis of his personal experiences in a war theater. For that reason we herewith reproduce a portion of a letter addressed to the commanding officer of the Eighth Company from Lieut. Hulon C. Hall, who was graduated from that company about 15 months ago and who now is in combat

In the Southwest Pacific. The text, conveying a message to Infantry officer candidates, follows:

"There may be times after they pin those crossed rifles on you that you will wonder why you chose the Infantry for a branch of the service. Yes, the grimy old gravel-gripping Infantry that spends half its time in a foxhole or a pup tent. You may see a plane skim through the blue and wonder why you didn't join the highly glamorized Air Corps with their silver wings, their huge pay, their tremendous publicity, to say nothing of their terrific appeal to the fair sex and the luxurious rest camps they visit, every two or three months for eight or 10 days.

"Or maybe you'll be aboard a ship and see those ensigns and lieutenants with their nice quarters and wonder why you didn't get in something where you could get home every seven or eight months and eat good food all the time. Perhaps you're even wondering why you didn't join with the far-flung Marines and see your names in the newspapers every so often.

"Just always remember this: You'll find comradeship in the Infantry that you won't get in any other branch of the service or anywhere else in the world. I don't care where you go or what you do. There is something that comes to you when you spend night after night in the same foxhole with an enlisted man, with nothing between you and the Great Beyond but an M-1 and some hand grenades.

"You'll find that magic quality called loyalty, the kind of loyalty that causes a man, as one of the men in my company did, to crawl under murderous machine fire to give water and first aid to a buddy who was cut off. The same loyalty that one of the company commanders in my battalion exhibited when, after being carried back to the aid station and having an evacuation ship pinned to his clothing, suddenly revived, tore off the ship and went back to his line.

"Yes, he was an OCS man. In fact, his home is in Atlanta, Ga. Now we can't all be heroes and be awarded the Silver Star for gallantry as those fellows were but we can all have that loyalty to our fellow soldiers that motivated those two whether it's on the battlefield or in a routine day of training.

"No sir, Mister, there may be officers in this Army handling more expensive equipment but nobody handles anything half so valuable as we do, namely the lives of American soldiers.

"I hope you are as fortunate as I was and have Major (now Lieutenant Colonel) Parker give you one of his inspiring addresses. If, after you hear him, you don't have to swallow a lump in your throat, you'd better go check yourself, brother, because you're being reading the wrong kind of history books and that old Star Spangled Banner is still just a flag to you.

"Yes, not only from the foxholes of Bataan and Corregidor but from the jungles of New Georgia and New Guinea and the sands of Africa will emerge men after this war who can look any man in the world in the eye. Square those shoulders, pull in that chin and stick out that chest, you men who wear crossed rifles and when they ask you what branch of service you're in, proudly say: 'Me? I'm in the Infantry, by God, she's still the Queen of battles!'"

—The Shaveall.

## This Country Needs A Lot Of Little Washingtons

As General George Washington fought to give a nation birth. But he did not stop fighting when the war over. He found the perils of peace even greater than those of war. Discontent and dissension threatened to split the new country wide open.

As President, he had to fight the sincere and logical efforts of his own officers to make him a dictator. And he had to fight the selfish aspirations of thirteen jealous states. He longed for the peace and retirement of his beloved Mt. Vernon, but he knew the war would not finally be won until a constitutional democracy had been firmly established.

The lure of comfort and self-interest caused men to desert these national ideals just as hardship and discomfort caused some to desert the Continental Army. But Washington's ability to rally fighters for the cause, in peace or war, won him the gratitude of millions who now affectionately remember him as the "Father of his country."

It was not that Washington was so much braver and wiser than other men. It was the challenge of moral convictions behind his courage and wisdom. "Here was greatness that no man could question," wrote Henry Cabot Lodge, and "character which no man could fail to respect."

Today the perils of peace again loom ahead of us. As in Washington's time domestic confusion may tempt us to seek the dictatorship of some individual, bloc or faction. To desert to any un-American way of living will be to lose the war even after we have won it.

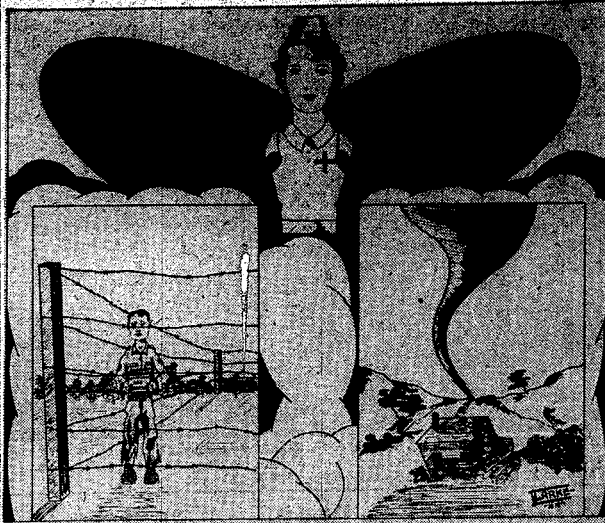
We cannot wait for another Washington to rise up and unite the nation. We will have to rely on a lot of little Washingtons—ordinary men and women with moral convictions who can rally fighters round them. Neither physical courage nor good plans, of which we have plenty, are enough. Washington's dictum still holds true: "Religion and morality are indispensable supports to our political prosperity."

It's the little things that bother. And put us on the rack. You can sit upon a mountain. But not upon a tack.

Even the darkest skies look brighter when we've washed our windows.

When the order comes "Cease firing!"—we must keep on shooting for the kind of world we fought for.

## The Red Cross Spreads Her Mothering Wing



## USO Presents— LEAP YEAR PARTIE S. SADIE HAWKINS DANCE, TWIX-TEEN AFFAIR

By PFC. LOUISE WILIE

Leap Year parties, with the girls taking the initiative in trading Leap Year fashion, are scheduled this week at several USO clubs of Columbus and Phenix City.

The Salvation Army USO, 1323 Broadway, is having its Leap Year Party at 9 o'clock, Benning time, Monday night. Details of the entertainment are not being announced, because the USO has planned a "lot of surprises" for the girls who attend. The novelty of the stunts promises a distinctly different evening.

The Junior Hostesses of the Salvation Army USO in Phenix City, 3rd and 16th streets, are staging a Leap Year party at the club tonight. The festivities will begin at 8 o'clock, Benning time.

The Army-Navy USO, 14 West 11th Street, has scheduled its Leap Year party on Tuesday night. The dancing will begin at 8:30 Benning time.

The YWCA USO, 1425 Third Avenue, has scheduled three special parties this week. The first is an OCS invitation dance tomorrow night, with members of Beta Sigma Phi Sorority as hostesses. Then on Monday night, there'll be a

supper for the Junior Hostesses of the club.

An ASTP invitation dance, with Jordan High School girls as hostesses, will be held Wednesday night.

The girls will do the tagging at a Sadie Hawkins dance which the Negro Army-Navy YMCA USO is presenting Tuesday night at its Leap Year party. The Reception Center Orchestra will play for dancing beginning at 9 o'clock, Benning time.

Two other dances are planned at the club this week. Tomorrow night there will be a closed dance, starting at 8 o'clock, for the 3533rd Quartermaster Truck Company. One Saturday night there will be the weekly servicemen's dance, open to all colored soldiers, with music by the Quartermaster Orchestra.

Cpl. Joseph Cole and the Third Student Training Regiment Chorus will provide music for the club's Vesper Service at 8 o'clock, Benning time, Sunday night.

The Twix-Teens will have a birthday party Saturday night at 7:30 at the Negro YWCA USO, 936 Fifth Avenue. It's an invitational affair. On Tuesday night, Cpl. W. H. Boyd will conduct a quiz program at the club.

## This Khaki'd World—

By PVT. G. I. GRIPE

Hardly had THE BAYONET been distributed around the campus of the college on the Chattahoochee last Thursday than Old Man Gripe was being regarded with something approaching awe by his colleagues. Last week in this corner, appeared a brief paragraph to the effect that some of the prisoner-chasers were jaw in the way they handled their rifles. Well, about all we expected was a protest from some brass hat or other. It nearly always comes. But that very afternoon one of the guards met his death when his shot-gun discharged accidentally. And as we look out of the window as we type this—we see a guard just across the street, calmly cleaning on the muzzle of his gun. Oh, well, some guys insist on learning the hard way.

Out in Third Student Training Regiment they recount the tale of OCH Clifford Rothrock, who used to hit the line for the North Dakota "Aggies." An officer, giving a pep talk said: "Now, tear that wall right down," as he sent the men over the obstacle course. And when "Rock" hit the wall, dangled if it didn't tumble over.

Lt. Col. C. C. "Casey" Finnegan, special service officer and athletic officer of Fort Benning, felt pretty good when he heard that little story, for it seems he had been coach of the "Aggies" and while the "Rock" was a freshman in "Casey's" last year up there, he still figures he's one of his boys.

That's a banner of a little place for the paper by OG William J. Howard in last week's issue of "The Shaveall." Entitled "Drawers, Woolsen, M-1, Assembly and Mounting," it ought to be reprinted in any anthology of soldier humor.

Now, those aren't all pictures that Pvt. Bill "The Lark" Simpson, Co. D, 176th, got from admirers in Hollywood. His sister, who's in the flickers out there, sent them to him. Incidentally,

she's about the best looking in the lot.

And the men of the 176th claim that Lt. Poschner works a neat little racket on Lt. Nance—starts to shine shoes and is overcome with faintness or something and Lt. Nance takes pity on him and finishes the job.

Well, doubtless you're right, Kay—you know more about such things than we do. But, says our original denponent, how comes it that it always seems to be the SAME young ladies, quite evidently not living off the Post, who are at the Grocery come noon-time?

Corp. Swede Nyquist HQ Co., 4th Battalion, 380th Infantry, went out looking for a good place to wash jeans and dunked his so deeply in Cies Creek that it had to be fished out!

Academics! Regt. dayrooms being kept open Monday night until midnight so men can hear T-12 radio program coming out of Atlanta at 11:30 p.m. on those evenings. Next thing they'll be serving coffee and to get an audience, eh? Me!

In last edition of "Regimental Mirror," Chaplain Reddick's piece for the paper contains a sub-head that reads "What Is Man?" That's a question lots of the gals in lots of cities where there ain't no Army camps, now are asking, we understand.

I see Marie most every day. Our talk is always about you. You're close beside her when she prays. She says she will ever love you.

Everyone here sends you all their love. When you return they'll all be glad. May you ever be watched by Him above. Love, from your Mother and Your Dad.

—Cpl. Raymond C. Hammond, 1st Armed Div. Hq.

## Kay Says—

### ARMY WIVES AT PX GROCERY HAVE GOOD ANSWER FOR PVT. G. I. GRIPE

Far be it from me to start any work themselves, or supervising incompetent and unreliable help. Few women have time to make "half a dozen or so trips to the grocery a day," and if they did have time their gas ration wouldn't permit it.

Instead, your army wife generally pools a car with one or more of her neighbors, and arrives sometime during the morning to do her shopping. She does it in the morning because the variety of meats and vegetables is greater then, and if she waits until late afternoon she takes what is left. The resident mob waits, more or less patiently, in turn, and the stragglers are still waiting their turn when the noon hour comes around.

Pvt. Gripe's working wife is not the only one who complains of the crowd at the grocery. The army wife feels that, after all, it is her one place to buy groceries except from the staples she gets at the commissary. She is resentful of the time it takes to shop, even though she may "have a cigaret and exchange gossip" while she is waiting. She feels that "something ought to be done" about it, but so far she has arrived at no practicable solution.

She welcomes the rule that commissary cards had to be shown before purchases could be taken out of the store, to insure that only wives of army personnel were doing their shopping there. She would, I think, like to see that rule enforced. She would welcome, as much as the working wife, a system which would speed up her shopping and be fair to both the non-working wife and those working wives who are entitled, as wives of officers or enlisted men, to do their marketing at the Exchange Grocery.

## Sgt. McDonald's Basket

### SWAMPWATER DECIDES TO DABBLE ONCE MORE IN THE FINE ARTS

By S-1 SGT. TOM McDONALD

During Colonel Swampwater's formative years he dabbled in what is commonly known as "the fine arts." A few weeks ago this old but still undomestic urge began to creep up on him again and ever since he has been feverishly etching and painting all during his waking moments. From a military office sergeant I have been pressed into service as a regular "printer" to a second "Whistler."

Not only have I had to lug an old delapidated etching press up to our office from a local junk dealer, but I have had to clean, oil, and revamp the damn thing into what my leader terms "a workable condition." For three long days now I have not had time to touch my typewriter and work is piling up around it at a terrific clip.

"Is the press in working order yet?" yelled Colonel Swampwater to me from his inner office, where he was executing a study in water color after the manner of Eliot O'Hara.

"Yes, Sir," I replied. "Very good, I might want to make an etching someday," the Ol' Boy muttered as I sneaked in to look over his shoulder. His picture was balanced rather precariously off the easel. The subject looked extremely vague to me. From a large black tree on the left two rows of tiny black dots were leading off of the picture on the other side. The bottom half of the study was solid white and the upper half a bright blue. I supposed that this represented the sky.

"What's it all about?" I asked. "Well, Sergeant!" the Ol' Boy beamed, "this picture is going to start an entirely new school of painting which I am going to call PAINT IMPRESSIONISM. This scene represents my theory of impression in a modified form. And the tree is a snow-capped landscape of brilliant hue."

"What are those black marks?" I queried. "Those are the essence of my theme. My message to the art lovers of the next ten generations. They are original mouse tracks upon the snow. I have tried to make an impression of the tracks on paper just as the little creature would have made his tiny impressions upon the natural snow."

"They are well camouflaged," I remarked. "Without a blanket of snow around you couldn't tell they were mouse tracks, could you?" the Ol' Boy added.

"No, Sir, I still can't tell much about them. They aren't quite

as clear as your other two paintings."

"Oh, yes!" my leader replied, "I had almost forgot about them. I entered them last week in the Women's Club Exhibit for full colonels and I am anxious to know how I came out."

"I can guess," I said. "Never mind," the artist retorted, "suppose you go call the club and find out for me."

"Yes, Sir," I answered, going obediently to perform the job. After waiting for ten minutes for two old ladies to get off the party line I finally got the call through and was told the desired information. When I returned to the STUDIO my master was all ears.

"Out with the news, Sergeant! Don't keep me in suspense," he said.

"Well, Sir, the lady at the club said your painting of the two lovebirds won first prize and your other painting was honorable mention."

"Well, Shades of Salome, Sergeant! My second painting was decidedly the best one of the two. I spent thirty minutes painting it and only twenty minutes on the other."

"What was the painting about?" I asked. "I don't remember seeing it." "It was one of my most stunning creations. Its subject matter was a bunch of horse flies circling around an open water melon rind with a wrist watch lying across it. It was 'my pride and joy.' I called it 'Watch on the Wind!'"

"If you will excuse me, Sir, my head is swimming and I would like to go back out to my desk and sit down."

"Why, certainly, Sergeant, go right ahead. I want to be alone so that I can create something for Metropolitan."

Unity on the home front speeds production on the industrial front for victory on the battle front.

Men who fall at something worth while are still far ahead of those who succeed at doing nothing. Folks who get temperamental should remember that it is usually more temper than mental. To fight for the security of any man or nation, fight for the integrity of men and nations.

The army, training men for war, is becoming at the same time a university for postwar citizenship.

If you can take care of the other man's need—if you can take heed from the other man's plight—if you can take blame for another man's fault—if you can take pleasure in another man's success—You have what it takes!



## Wacs Treated Like Queens In Italy, Sgt. Spears Says

First Sgt. Helen M. Spears, former topkick of WAC Detachment, Station Complement, Section 11, is now in Italy, she has informed her friends here.

Sgt. Spears left Fort Benning in September to prepare for an overseas assignment. After several weeks of training, her company was sent to North Africa.

"We spent a little time in North Africa, and I am not glad that we were sent on here to Italy," Sgt. Spears declared in a V-Mail letter to Cpl. Elizabeth Armstrong.

"We flew from North Africa to Italy. The world from the air is the most impressive sight to behold. The Mediterranean Ocean is just as blue as they have always claimed in story books."

**GIRLS SPOILED**  
"Italy is very nice and we are being spoiled royally. We came over here expecting nothing but hardship but the Air Corps treats us as if we were queens. We are living in a hotel in the heart of the city. Nice soft bed with hot and cold water. Our Mess Hall used to be a restaurant, and they fixed it up to perfection."

"Let us could just see how very happy these GI's are to see an American woman after being over on this side of the ocean for 18 and 20 months. There is not anything they wouldn't do for us. All they ask in return is to be allowed to take you to the movies and talk to you. Of course we are having many parties given for us."

"We are assigned to the 15th Air Corps, which used to be Jimmy Doolittle's command until just a few months ago."

**SEE WAR RUINS**  
"We have seen many war sights so far on our travels. Bombed cities, bombed fields, and ruined Nazi planes. The latter made us feel very good to see those planes all in just pieces of junk good for nothing but scrap."

"Col. Hobby was here just a few days after we arrived and spoke to us. She is a grand person, and we were sure thrilled to see her."

"Remember Major Boyce? (Major Westray Battle Boyce, formerly director of WACs in the 4th Service Command). Well, she greeted us as we came down the gang plank in North Africa. After we got to camp she managed to speak to her, and she remembered me. Asked all about Fort Benning. Told her as much as I could considering how long it has been since I left."

The Red Cross last year furnished 2,500,000 kit bags for distribution to men embarking on troopships, to patients in hospitals, including razors, toothbrushes, and other essential articles.

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## Luckies Attend Washington Birthday Ball

With the Service club decorated to resemble Mt. Vernon, Mrs. Winifred Baker (senior hostess) gave a colorful Washington Birthday ball for the 7th Armored Division.

On a reconstructed version of Mr. Vernon's veranda, the Washington family received the guests after the grand march and served them punch.

Sgt. Charley Dee and his "Tankbusters" orchestra furnished music for dancing.

On the following night "The Service Club of the Air" presented a half-hour hand concert featuring the 60-piece 7th Armored Division military band over W.R.B.L.

The program got off to a rousing start with the playing of Henry Fillmore's march "His Honor," followed by the "March of the Bowmen" from the "Robin Hood Suite."

On the lighter side was Irving Berlin's nostalgic "Remember" and "Always." This in turn was balanced by the "Ariane Overture" by Louis Boyer. Glenn Miller's syncopated arrangement of Verdi's "Ave Maria" concluded the broadcast.

For the studio audience in the club, Sgt. Justin Wagner presented Kathy Johnson, local radio actress, who did impersonations, pantomime, and several ballads including "Parlez Moi D'Amour."

**Benning Scouts In Fund Drive**  
Fort Benning's Boy Scouts and former Scouts and Scouters on the reservation are this week taking part in the fund raising campaign now being conducted throughout Georgia and Alabama to carry on Scout work here, according to Lt. Col. Virgil Ney, Infantry School instructor and director of boys' activities.

The Commander of the Post and the Commander of The Infantry School have given their wholehearted support to this drive, urge general contributions to this program that they believe has done so much for the youth of America during the past two generations.

The four Scout units here, Troop 11 and 12, Air Scout Squadron 1, and Cub Pack 1, and Troop 66 of Baker Village, are integral parts of the Georgia-Alabama Council and share in the funds raised to carry on the program in the two states.

Colonel Ney has been designated as officer to receive contributions, and they may be made or sent to his office, room 242, The Infantry School building.

**P. T. A. MEETING**  
The March meeting of the Fort Benning Parent-Teachers' Association will be the annual evening meeting for both fathers, mothers, and teachers. All parents are urged to attend on Thursday, March 2, 1944, at 8 p. m., at the Children's School Auditorium at 8:00 p. m.



**MRS. KATE TEMPLIN**, mechanic's helper in the engine room of Automotive Shop No. 1 at Fort Benning, holds a \$1,000 War Bond which she bought during the 4th War Loan Drive. Mrs. Templin, who lives at 29 Court Avenue, Benning Park Homes, is the wife of Staff Sgt. William Edward Templin, now overseas. Mrs. Templin had been buying bonds regularly through payroll deductions and with her husband's allotment checks and had amassed a total of \$1,050 by last summer. Then she decided to start saving her money to buy furniture and start housekeeping, because she "just had a feeling" that her husband would be home by the first of this year. But lately she began to realize that her husband's outfit probably was being trained for the invasion of enemy territory and that it would be a long time before he'd be coming back to start a home. So she took her savings and bought the \$1,000 bond, "because I wanted the money working to bring him back sooner." (United States Army Signal Corps Photo)

**SPARKED LUCKIES TO FIRST**  
WIN—Harvey Johnstad, six foot three inch star of the 7th Armored Division Luckies, banged in 22 points to lead his team in its first victory in The Infantry School Basketball League. The victims were the 4th Infantry Raiders who were beaten 51 to 40. It was the Luckies' best showing in the league to date.

**Col. Massey Awarded Medal**  
Col. Stephen B. Massey, director of the Supply and Service Division of the Army Service Forces at Fort Benning at the time of his retirement from the Army last October, has been awarded the Legion of Merit. It was disclosed by post headquarters upon receipt of War Department orders which directed the decoration.

Col. Massey is a veteran of 41 years in the Regular Army and is well known in Columbus and vicinity. He left Fort Benning in October to make his home in Texas.

The Legion of Merit was awarded to Col. Massey "for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service as Chief, Quartermaster Branch, and as Director of Supply and Service Division, Fort Benning, Ga., while his activities were in the process of rapid expansion and adjustment."

"Under the inspiration of his superb leadership and fine professional skill," the citation continues, "the Quartermaster Branch and later the Supply and Service Division maintained a continuous and unflinching flow of supplies and services to a rapidly changing garrison."

"Col. Massey organized, controlled and directed the many and diverse activities of his staff division in utter disregard for his convenience or health. He spent long hours in this organization and insured that every one of the many departments of his division was ready for immediate service to the troops at any time, day or night. In addition to his service to this garrison, his division answered frequent calls for assistance from posts, nearby and distant."

Higher headquarters have frequently availed themselves of his outstanding knowledge and professional attainments by calling on him to conduct conferences and instructions at service command headquarters and to points beyond the Fourth Service Command. Col. Massey made a most outstanding and substantial contribution to the operation of his division, to his post, and to the war effort."

Colonel Massey, who enlisted in the Army in 1902 as a private, rose through the ranks. During World War I he was overseas and served in several important quartermaster assignments then and in subsequent years.

## Full-Blooded Sioux In 'Chute School

With a heritage of courage and bravery of the American Indian in his blood, Sergeant Asa Understanding Crow, a full blooded Sioux Indian, is now a student in training at The Parachute School, Fort Benning, Georgia.

Sergeant Understanding Crow hails from South Dakota, where he attended school at the Indian School of Rosebud Boarding School in Mission, South Dakota. As a student he was a top member of the boxing and tennis teams. In tennis he won a loving cup for his outstanding skill on the court.

Upon graduation from school Understanding Crow enlisted in the United States Army and was member of the 189th Combat Engineers. He was honorably discharged in 1939, but re-entered the army in August of 1943. Sergeant Crow volunteered for the parachute troops and is now well on his way toward winning the silver wings of an army paratrooper.

Loans made by the Red Cross to Benning soldiers in 1943 enabled soldiers to go home on emergency furloughs, convalescent furloughs and cases involving family problems of an emergency nature.

## Chute Non-Com Saw Action In N. Africa

On November 7, 1942 the first group of American paratroopers took off from secluded airfield in England for North Africa. Among this group was Master Sgt. Alvin Ortagus, personnel sergeant major of one of the famed parachute battalions.

After many hours of flying over the sea, they roared in over their objective, the Tafaravrie Airfield. With cries of "Geronimo" ringing through the ship they descended on the Axis dominated airfield. The jump was a complete success. With a minimum of casualties the airfield was soon in possession of the American troops, and planes essential for the invasion were landed and being refueled.

On November 10 Sgt. Ortagus made his second combat jump at Youks La Bain, to reinforce combat teams moving inland. This mission too was a success. The unit met only weak resistance which was quickly overcome. Thereafter the battalion settled down to routine garrison duty, instruction, and Sergeant Ortagus was transferred to a new unit.

The third and final combat jump made by Sergeant Ortagus was with the first wave to Sicily under an assignment as assistant observer on the staff of Lt. Col. Charles Billingshea. It was this for Ortagus. He floated into a brick wall, ending up with a broken leg. Even with this handicap he administered himself first aid and with 18 others helped along attempting to contact the main body.



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bled along attempting to contact the main body. At first no enemy troops were met, but during the night they stumbled upon a coastal gun defense. With the aid of three well-placed rockets from our then secret weapon, the bazooka, and their small arms they wiped out the enemy crew and disabled the gun. By morning on the second day small groups of American troops had joined together to form a unit of about two companies and plans were being made to attack the enemy stronghold of Ragusa when the Sergeant's broken leg was discovered and he was forced to report for medical aid. From the field aid station Sergeant Ortagus was evacuated to a base hospital in North Africa, to recuperate from his injuries.

Upon release Sergeant Ortagus was again assigned to the Airborne Training Center as personnel sergeant major. In January, 1944, under the new rotation policy of the United States Army he was returned to U. S. soil. Assigned to The Parachute School, Sergeant Ortagus has taken up his new duties as first sergeant of the 1st Academic Company. He entered the Army at Fort Benning in 1940, and qualified as a paratrooper in May 1942. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. Ortagus reside at 7333 N. W. Second Court, Miami, Florida.

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# Eagles, Spirits In TIS Loop Deadlock

## Race Narrows Down With Profs Fading In Stretch

By SGT. CHUCK VOORHIS

One week ago today, the Academic Profs were tied for first place in The Infantry School Basketball League with five victories and one defeat, a record matched by the 17th Infantry and the 6th Training Regiment Eagles. Obviously their chief opposition during the stretch run of the second half of the league campaign appeared to lurk in the camps of the Spirits and Eagles.

However the 4th Infantry Raiders and 3rd Student Training Regiment Rifles, who were battling for a first division berth and had won just about as many games as they had lost, reared up and smacked the Profs into a back seat. And today finds them in third place, a bare half game ahead of the Rifles. The Rifles handed the Profs their second setback in a row Tuesday at the Main Post gym by a margin of 46 to 26.

And that defeat ended a pretty picture for the Profs began painting at the start of the second half when they trounced those Rifles in the first major upset of the season, 51 to 41. During that first round of this second half, the Profs also astounded by giving the Eagles, first half champions, their first defeat of the year.

But their luck and scoring punch deserted them completely against the Rifles this last time out. True, they led 15-10 at the half, but they were out of sync in the second half. The Rifles, skipper of the Academic Profs, was on leave and his absence was undoubtedly keenly felt. Even though he had been there, he probably couldn't have made up for the inept ball handling of the Profs and their negligible accuracy from the field.

This was best exemplified by the fact they got but three points in the first quarter—all fouls, and only two field goals in the second, trailing at the half by 27 to 7. In the second half they fared a little better and the reason the Rifles didn't pile up a larger score was due to the fact they used a second team in the final period. And it scored but two points.

The Profs' total of 26 was as low as their lowest score of the season. In the first half of the season, they were held to 26 points by the same Rifle team.

Scoring honors for the game went to Herman Miller, who hit 10 and 11 Blackwell with 10, both of the Rifles, who played without the services of Sunny Sundquist, out with a broken nose.

Play was slow considerably due to the slippery condition of the floor.

Games followed pattern throughout the remainder of the season. The 16th and 6th Training Regiment took shots at the 4th Infantry Raiders and added a win each to their column which left them sharing first place honors with six victories and one defeat.

The Rifles' win Tuesday plus an easy victory over the Luckies advanced their record to four victories and three defeats, a half game behind the Profs who now have five and three. The Luckies sit.

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## Rifle Quintet Wins Two Games

The Rifle basketball team of the Infantry School's 3rd Student Training Regiment took to the road over the past weekend and returned with hard-won victories over the nation's fifth-ranking service team, the Pensacola (Fla.) Naval Air Base Rifles. The Rifles, prior to encountering the Rifles, showed 20 wins in 21 starts.

In the first meeting of the teams Friday evening, the Rifles came out on top by the slender margin of 59 to 57. The Rifles led at the half by the same margin, 35 to 33, but a third quarter burst by the Pensacola Rifles put the boys in blue ahead by four points. With but a minute and a half to play, however, the Rifles, who had made out one substitution throughout the game, forged ahead by four points and froze the ball to protect the slim lead.

Meeting again Saturday evening, the Rifles trailed the Pensacola Rifles for the first period but nearly overtook them in the second, the Rifles holding a 22-21 lead at half time. During the third period, Ray Sundquist of the Rifles suffered a broken nose and was replaced by Sydney Silverman.

In the same period, the Rifles passed the Pensacola Rifles on the scoreboard and continued to gain through the final period, the final score reading 52 to 41.

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## Benning's Rudy Stewart Is Columbus Court Star

Son of Former Post Athlete Paces Devils

By RODNEY E. ADLER, Cpl., 1st STE

Columbus High's Rudy Stewart was only taking after his all-around-athlete father, Master Sergeant Elton Stewart, of the Infantry School's 1st Student Training Regiment, when he recently attained fourth place in the G.I.A.A. basketball line-up.

Rudy needs no introduction to Columbus and Fort Benning basketball, football, aquatic, and golf fans. His dad was just as active in Post sports during the 1920's.

Young Stewart began his athletic career at the age of four when he learned to swim in Russ Pool at Fort Benning. That was in 1920. Six years later he won the 50-yard free style and backstroke meets there.

He joined the Jeps and then the Post team—age grid and cage teams sponsored by Lieutenant Colonel Virgil Nev. His father, however, owes a lot to the colonel's early guidance.

NON-EXHAUSTIVE That doesn't exhaust the range of Rudy's activities. In '38 he became multi-champ of Benning and Columbus, but lost out in the state finals at Atlanta. He shoots a golf score in the 80's. He has been the Post boys' rifle and pistol, became tennis champion of the Fort Grammar School in 1939, and played on the Columbus High eleven last fall.

Rudy considers basketball his favorite sport. His speedy offensive has been a powerful weapon in the hands of the White Kids at Atlanta and other out-of-town teams have learned to respect his onslaughts.

Maybe Rudy gets it from his father. For Sergeant Stewart energetically represented his outfit, the 15th Tank Battalion, during decade of Benning sports. He played end in football, forward in basketball, and outfield in baseball.

He became known throughout the Post intramural league which then comprised four teams: the 15th Tanks, the 38th Infantry, the 8th Field Artillery, and the Infantry School detachment, ancestor of both the 1st Student Training and the Academic Regiments.

The "Terrible Tankers" and the 2nd Battalion of the 38th led the contest for Benning's grid title nine years out of ten. Stewart played for the Tankers when they won the football championship in 1929 and '35.

He came up against stiff "two-nine" opposition—Colonel John R. Brown and Captain William C. Kjelstrom, both of them now members of the 1st S. T. R. Stewart considers Kjelstrom the best all-around athlete he ever saw on the Post.

Stewart could run, too. In 1928 he won the 100-yard dash, in less than 11 seconds, and came in second in the 220.

Sergeant Stewart had joined the Coast Artillery Corps at Camp Jackson, South Carolina, in August 1920. A year later he re-enlisted at Fort Benning and has been here ever since. He spent two decades in the 15th Tank Battalion—it became the 2nd Battalion of the 1st Tank Regiment in 1935, a separate Battalion of the 88th Infantry in '38, and part of the 2nd Armored Division in 1940—and was transferred to the 1st Student Training Regiment in September 1941.

Stewart's son will be graduated from Columbus High in June. If he doesn't enter the Army, young Rudy hopes to attend the University of Georgia or Alabama. One of them could use a hard-playing basketball player, he figures.

their farm system in 1936, and five years sent him from team to team, gradually stepping Jim up to the higher-rated minors where he pitched against stiffer opposition. He played for Akron, Ohio; Basset, Va.; Butler, Pa.; Augusta, Ga.; Kansas City, Hollywood, Calif.; Birmingham, Ala.; and Little Rock, Ark.

Anyone who's been around as wood one Sunday when a messenger rushed up with wire ordering me to report to Birmingham," Jim relates.

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## Service Unit With Post Hq.

The Service Detachment, which has been part of the Academic Regiment of The Infantry School since March 21, 1942, will be returned to the Fort Benning station complement next week and will thus become part of the Fourth Service Command of the Army Service Forces.

Approximately 80 men, including the cadre and the commanding officer, Capt. Charles B. Taylor, will be transferred with the unit, while the remaining enlisted personnel will be declared regimental surplus. Lt. Anthony B. Evanko, junior officer, will remain with the Academic Regiment.

About 120 Infantry School Stables horses will be auctioned off at one p.m., Wednesday, March 1, at the establishment of Mr. Sam Colton, 1028 Front Ave., Columbus, according to an announcement by Mr. J. D. Tompkins, regional director of regional property utilization office, procurement office of the Treasury Department, Atlanta, Ga. Forty-six mares and 35 horses will stay with the detachment.

The transfer of the unit, which will be effected as soon after the auction of horses as is practicable, will end almost two years of association with the Academic Regiment, during which time the detachment has distinguished itself for its bonds, insurance and service records, making the news frequently for commendations and citations from the Infantry School commandant.

40TH— (Continued from Page 6) markers. Figuring prominently in the win was the steady floor play of Frank Gugliuzza at forward for the tankers. Bob Usher, Wireman ace, was held to a lone field goal and one charity throw.

A more rugged road to the championship playoff was the 77th Medics lot. The five team deadlock for second place in CC-B's tourney necessitated a six-club elimination deal. As their initial playoff outing the Kidnappers breezed by the 38th Inf. Bn. unit, 46-30.

Tose's 15 points proved the Medics' big shot in the arm. A 33-25 victory over Coach Hunt's 23rd Inf. courtmen followed in what was considered a minor upset, the Doughboys lately having developed into one of the hottest clubs in the loop. Elmore tallied 15 points from his guard post to get the Medics' pace in the quarter final win.

BIG SURPRISE Biggest surprise of the playoffs was provided by the 38th Inf. Bn. unit when they thoroughly shellacked a 33rd Engineer outfit which was good enough the night before to eliminate the Division G. five, Fort Benning.

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wards Cardoni and Elmore split twenty digits between them, in ringing up the 33-17 triumph which set the stage for the division championship go between the 40th Tank Bn. and the 77th Medics.

Strangely enough, this final match for the cage title was the least impressive of the playoff tilts. The Tankmen won the title going away, 45-27, never being pushed at any stage of the game and demonstrating easily it was the classiest club in the league. The Kidnappers just weren't up to par, perhaps they had shot their bolt in winning their way to the final. Gerhart Starck left the ball game with a badly twisted ankle in the early minutes and that saved the Medics considerably. Craft and Lewis once more were the high scoring twins for the

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## Army Regular Made Captain

Henry S. Hoy, personnel officer of the 1st Student Training Regiment, The Infantry School, has been promoted to captain. For 13 years an instructor in the Reserve Officers Training Corps, where he molded scores of our wartime leaders, Captain Hoy will round out his 24th year in the Army next month.

On March 10, 1920, he enlisted at Camp Taylor, Ky., for the "Fighting First" Division, and served at Fort Dix, N. J., and Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind. As an enlisted expert in the crack Regular Army, he attained high non-commissioned rank when such ratings were scarce.

In 1928, with the hard-earned chevrons of a sergeant on his sleeves, Hoy was assigned as instructor to the ROTC unit at Ohio State University. He rose to staff sergeant in 1932 and, having been transferred to the University of Kentucky training unit, was promoted to technical sergeant by 1935.

Selected to attend the officer candidate course at The Infantry School, Hoy was graduated as a second lieutenant on August 21, 1942, and his wealth of military experience placed at the disposal of the 1st S. T. R. He was promoted to first lieutenant March 4, 1943.

Captain Hoy's daughter, Sara Lee Hoy, was recently singled out from 32 highest-ranking classmates for membership in the Oracles, freshman honor society of Alabama Polytechnic Institute at Auburn. His son George has already started in his Army dad's footsteps—he is training with the R. O. T. C. at Columbus High, where he's a sophomore.

## M-Sgt. Trainer Is Home Again

By PVT. RALPH ROGERS

When Master Sergeant Harry E. Trainer took a final glance at the broad expanse of the California desert and stepped foot aboard a troop train bound for Fort Benning, there was a twinkle in the old sergeant's eyes.

For while coming to Benning as a new venture to the majority of men comprising the 7th Armored Division, it was sort of a homecoming for the veteran Armorer. It was at this post that Sgt. Trainer was stationed for twenty-one of his twenty-four years of uninterrupted service in the United States Army.

Sgt. Trainer's reappearance on the familiar streets of neighboring Columbus after an absence of almost three years resembled a national convention. There was hand-shaking galore. The likeable sergeant delighted in renewing many fond friendships acquired during his two decades of mingling with the civilian populace of the community.

Trainer is a communication sergeant assigned to Division Trains. He has had years of experience in his respective line. His knowledge of radio acquired through Army schooling and practical experience is considered invaluable.

Sgt. Trainer enlisted in the W. Moeller, Jr., as assistant mess officer. The proposed officers' mess will be located in the BOQ area.

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## Third Regiment Formulates Plans For Officers' Mess

Plans for an Officers' Mess in The Infantry School's Third Student Training Regiment were put into action during the past week and announcement has been made by a committee that this innovation should become a reality within a fortnight.

Col. John D. Hill, regimental commander, and Major Richard Sutton, who have long recognized the need for an Officers' Mess in the regiment, drew up the original plans and forwarded them to a committee which at present is working out the final details.

Major Paul C. Byrne, executive officer of the regiment, has been serving as president of the Mess Committee. The other officers and members of which are Vice president, Capt. Edward H. Wilson; secretary, Lieutenant James S. Comer; Lieutenant Hiram W. Chappel; Carl H. Ott and Arliss W. Shively; Capt. Robert A. Lobdel will serve as mess officer in the new setup with Lieut. Edward



AMONG THE FIRST TROPHIES of the war in the Pacific brought back to The Infantry School was this Japanese flag and two Marine company pennants which were returned by Lt. Col. Francois d'Eliscu (right) now assigned to the Physical Training Section of the School. Shown with the flags are Maj. Gen. Charles H. Bonesteel, Commandant of the School (center) and Brig. Gen. George H. Weems (left) assistant Commandant. Colonel d'Eliscu, who had charge of the physical conditioning of the 27th Division which participated in the attack on Makin Island, was with the landing parties and was decorated with the Silver Star. (Official U. S. Army Signal Corps photo.)

Army in April, 1919, at Fort Sill, Okla. He later was transferred to Fort Meade, Md., and Trainer was assigned to the 7th Armored Division where he served for two years upon his activation two years ago. Sharp-minded sergeant recalls he arrived on Easter Sunday, 1920. A cadetman for formation of the 2nd Armored Division, Sgt. Trainer moved out of the division to the 3rd Armored Division at the Pa.

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**CAPTAIN SMITH**  
Promotion of Lt. W. G. Smith, commanding officer of Company D, Academic Regiment of the Infantry School, to the rank of captain was announced this week. Captain Smith, an insurance broker in Brownfield, Tex., served with the 1st Infantry School, was promoted to first lieutenant in December 1942 as junior officer of Company F. While serving as regimental adjutant last July he was promoted to first lieutenant. In civilian life Captain Smith, an insurance broker in Brownfield, Tex., served with the Texas Defense Guard and was active in Boy Scout affairs. Red Cross workers are on call 24-hours a day for the welfare of the soldiers at Fort Benning.

**O'LEARY PROMOTED**  
Lao W. O'Leary, executive officer of Headquarters Company, 1st Student Training Regiment of The Infantry School, has been promoted to first lieutenant.

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# Spirit Soldier Lived Through Six Months of Jap Bombing On Midway

"December 7, 1941, on Midway Islands was quite an eventful day. The construction gang foreman called us together right after chow. 'Men,' he said, 'we ain't goin' to use a hammer and saw this afternoon. We're goin' to put up barbed wire entanglements. Pearl Harbor was attacked by the Japs at 10 this morning.'

"For a while we just stood there. We didn't know what to think. We didn't know what to do. But we went ahead and did what had to be done. We didn't have time for reflections; not with a possible attack brewing. At 8 o'clock that night we were told to expect a raid."

Pfc. Ike Lough, of Lewiston, Idaho, and the 17th Infantry of The Infantry School, was a member of the civilian construction crew on Midway Islands. Pfc. Lough lived through six months of bombing and shelling at the hands of the Japs.

"We shipped out from San Francisco in the fall of 1941, landing at Honolulu. We spent about two weeks there getting shaped up. It was a five day trip to Midway," said Ike, "five days on a cattle boat. Just about the worst trip I have ever made."

"We landed on Midway in November. It is a coral island; no, it is two small islands separated by a narrow strip of water. You called it together right after chow. 'Men,' he said, 'we ain't goin' to use a hammer and saw this afternoon. We're goin' to put up barbed wire entanglements. Pearl Harbor was attacked by the Japs at 10 this morning.'

"That sand was just like flour. It was that white and fine. A person could go blind in a half an hour from the reflection of the sun on that sand. The island was full of Gooney birds, birds as big as a goose.

"The marines were on the island ahead of us. There were no bomb few guns setting up around the edge of the island. We were soon to learn the folly of this inadequate protection."

**SLEEPLESS NIGHT**

"The afternoon of the attack on Pearl Harbor was spent setting up hasty shelters and fortifications. That night nobody went to bed. We were all watching and waiting for the attack. At 10 it came.

"I was standing outside my barracks looking out over the sea, when I saw red balls of fire coming towards me. Jap ships were firing and there and had started their shelling. Their first shells hit the airplane hangar.

"I wasn't very far away from the airplane hangar. I didn't know what to do. I didn't know whether to fall, where to run, or what. I didn't know a damn thing. After a while I got hold of myself and ran over and helped the marines push one of their planes off the ramp into the water. The shelling lasted 20 minutes."

**RAIDING PARTY**

"The Japs tried to land a raiding party, but those marine gunners blasted the hell out of them. After the raid, three of us went back into the barracks and went to sleep. The rest of the construction gang grabbed their blankets and dug into the sand.

"The next morning there was a lot of confusion. Some gunnery was done, but very little of anything else. We were a bewildered group of men making inadequate attempts to save our lives.

"Along about the middle of

# Editor Talks On Press Freedom Before Luckies

Alvin Hallman, telegraph editor of the Columbus Ledger and the Associated Press, led an absorbing and informal discussion of "Freedom of the Press in War-time" Monday night as guest speaker of the 7th Armored Division Round Table.

After relating several entertaining incidents in the life of a correspondent abroad, Mr. Hallman pointed out that there are three types of press to deal with in discussing their problems.

These are the free or relatively free press, represented by American and British journals; the political press, as seen in pre-Vichy France with its party-subsidized papers; and the rigidly controlled press of such countries as Germany and Russia.

Mr. Hallman summed up the problem of American newspapers abroad with the statement that in spite of overwhelming difficulties, "You can get by it" referring of course to foreign censorship.

After describing censorship abroad, he turned to the United States with the remark that in peace-time our press freedom is bound only by libel laws, but that during a war the newspapers observe a voluntary code of censorship based upon military security in conjunction with the armed forces.

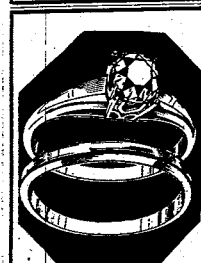
"American newspapers have tried as hard as they could to keep within bounds in spite of all difficulties," he declared.

Mr. Hallman pointed out that military censorship is very strict, and that correspondents very rarely (if ever) violated confidences by breaking a story ahead of time. He cited as an example the news of the Sicilian invasion, plans for which were known by correspondents fully three weeks before the landing, yet which were not released until after the invasion had taken place.



**AN AUSSIE DID IT—AND SO DID HE—Sgt. Roy M. Class, 17th Infantry of The Infantry School Troops Brigade saw YANK's photo of an Australian soldier leaping over a jeep with light field pack and rifle. "Quite a stunt," he commented and then proceeded to make it look easy. He was a high jumper on his school team in Hopewell, Virginia, which can explain a lot. (Official U. S. Army Signal Photo.)**

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## Baker Village News

**MRS. FRANCES LUTZ**  
The Black and White Minstrel given in the auditorium Thursday evening, Feb. 17, was very well attended and the cast wishes to extend its appreciation to those in the community for the excellent response to their show! The cast enjoyed putting this show on and it is hoped that many other activities of this nature will be produced from time to time.

On Wednesday, Feb. 23, the company of minstrel players will journey to Peabody, where they will put on another performance for the residents of that community.

The minstrel was under the direction of Mrs. Frances Schwartz of the Baker Village Recreation Department.

The cast of characters in the minstrel include the following: Interlocutor - Evarista Reyes; Bones, Harold Wilson; Melancholy, Jack Holt; Ebony, George Browner; Fantail, Victor Webb; Spang, group leader; Bedlam, Senta Shockley; Rastus, Louis Underwood; Sambo, Robert Sheppard; Solists - Emogene Shivers, Billy Annie Page, Frances Crowe, Patsy Shupe, Wilma Salmon, Claire Gallagher, Janice Jackson, Frances Crowe, Lyncal Jackson, Robert Shepard, Jean Beatty, Mimmi Blau, Patsy Jackson, Dallas Haralson, Victor Webb, Robert Wilson, George Brannen.

Chorus - Gloria Spiers, Mary Johnson, Sara Watkins, Nancy Partridge, Nancy Meeks, Jennell Nichols, Betty Lou Salter, Dorothy Wilk, Frances Williamson, Virginia Hall, Thomas Strahan, Betty Jo Loggins, Peggy Pope, Mary Harmon, Betty Bone, Mel.

## Woman's Club

Continuing its policy of keeping Women's Club members informed on the various theaters of war, the Current Events group of the Fort Benning Woman's Club will hear Col. Temple G. Holland, now in the Southwest Pacific at its next meeting. The meeting, open to all Women's Club members, will be held Monday, Feb. 28, at 2 p. m. in the main hall of the Officers' Club on the main post.

Col. Holland, now with The Infantry School, has recently returned from the Pacific where he has given a number of interesting lectures on his experiences while stationed there, and his talk Monday is expected to draw a large audience.

A gay and colorful afternoon is anticipated by members of the club Monday, Mar. 6, when the Spanish group will give a general meeting. A diversified program with a Latin American theme is being arranged by Mrs. H. P. Perrine, chairman of the group. Mrs. Perrine promises an orchestra, singers, and dancers to provide entertainment, while the tea hour will be in charge of members of the Spanish group.

And monthly meeting will be held in the main lounge of the Officers' Club, and will start at 2:30 p. m. EWT.

## CAPTAIN WITTIG

Roy E. Wittig, Jr., a staff officer of the 108th Division at Camp Howze, Texas, has been promoted to captain while attending the Officers' Advanced Course at The Infantry School. He is attached to the 8th Company of the 1st Student Training Regiment, commanded by Colonel Robert H. Lord.

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## Officer Awarded Purple Heart

First Lieutenant Herschel H. Hutsinpler was decorated with the Purple Heart by Maj. Gen. Charles H. Bonesteel, Commandant of The Infantry School, in his office at the school headquarters Saturday morning.

The decoration was for injuries received during the battle of Mateur in the African campaign.

Lt. Hutsinpler, who was inducted in 1941 and commissioned in 1942, went overseas with his infantry unit of an armored division in May of 1942. After further training in Ireland, England, and Scotland, his outfit landed at Oran in Africa with the first landing parties of that November invasion.

Some time later, while leading an advance guard, his unit made the first contact with the Germans at Nedies-El-Bav. From there, his outfit fought through Cusseta Valley, Melanassy, B. Guettar, Fondouk, Kasserine Pass and finally Mateur. It was in the latter stages of the Mateur engagement that a shell burst ruptured the lieutenant's ear drums.

Assigned to The Infantry School, he is now out duty with the Cannon Group of the Weapons section as an instructor.

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## Hypnotic Trance Hard To Shake Off, OC Learns

Drinking too deeply of hypnotism can give you as bad a "morning-after" as quaffing more liquid drafts, a member of the 24th Company, 1st Student Training Regiment, learned when he volunteered to come up on the stage at a Service Club the other night and let the visiting hypnotist go to work on him.

He drank it all in. After a few minutes, the entertainer snapped him out of the trance all right, but it must have left a hangover.

## LADIES BRIDGE

Ladies bridge is played each Wednesday afternoon in the Recreation rooms at one o'clock (EWT). There is still room for several more tables, so make up your table and come out on Wednesday afternoons.

Early next morning, fellow soldiers down in the 24th Company were awakened by sounds of a commotion coming from the victim's bunk. They watched him walk, sound asleep, down to the showers. Even the splash of cold water didn't wake him. "Wide-eyed but sightless, he went back to bed."

He woke up at reveille, unaware of his pre-dawn wanderings. It took the testimony of a half-dozen witnesses to convince the sleep-walker that he had taken that 2 a. m. shower—and had slept through it all.

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